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Lots Of Snowmobiling Fun Planned For February!

There are many snowmobile events taking place throughout the county in February. See page 5 & back cover for a list of most of the sledding events

Pictured left are avid sledders out for some fun in Haliburton County!



Barbara Smith of Haliburton says she enjoys shovelling the white stuff. There are lots of things to do to keep busy this winter. See inside ...

Ski/Snowboard For Heart - February 9th Get Your Pledge Forms Now!

Skiers and Snowboarders, don't miss this year's Ski/Snowboard for Heart 2002 scheduled for February 9th at Sir Sam's in Eagle Lake.

"This is an event for the whole family," says J.D. Bishop of Sir Sams.

Anyone receiving \$50 or more in pledges for the Heart & Stroke Foundation receives a FREE lift ticket for the day and a hot lunch. In addition there are some great prizes to be won.

To enter you can call the Heart & Stroke Foundation (call collect) at 1-705-749-1044. Pledge forms are available at Sir Sams and local businesses.

Come on out and enjoy a fun day of skiing or snowboarding and help a great cause at the same time.



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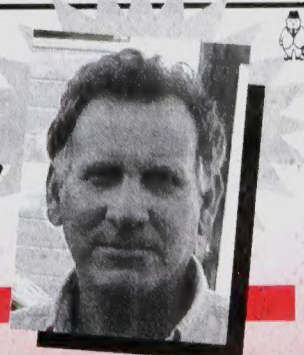
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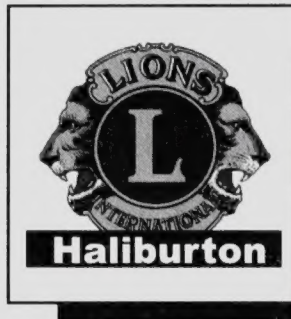
This issue we feature the Lions Club of Haliburton. There is also a local Minden Lions Club that will be featured in a future edition of the Communicator.

Want a chance to get-a-way for a weekend for two - stay at a wonderful hotel, eat a paid for dinner for two and two paid for breakfasts, with cash in your pocket for those little extra things? This can be yours for only \$5. That's right... for \$5 you have a chance to win an all expense paid weekend away. This is one of the many fundraising activities of the Haliburton Lions Club and tickets have just gone on sale. Keep reading for details on the draw...

The Haliburton Lions Club is comprised of 25 member who meet every 2nd & 4th Thursday of the Month. Though they are called the Haliburton Lions Club, they actually cover an expanded area from Harcourt to Carnarvon and everything in-between, including all our wonderful outlying hamlets & towns that surround Haliburton.

Our club is extremely active and contributes to far more than you might imagine. Please take the time to check out the following list as an example of the wonderful things OUR club has and is contributing to both locally and abroad. It's amazing & extremely commendable:

The CNIB, glaucoma research, leader dogs for the blind, Lake St. Joseph Camp for the Blind, Camp Kirk for Children, 'Teddy Bears for Ambulances' in Haliburton County (for children to hold in ambulance rides to the hospital), the high school bursary, Drag River Rehabilitation Project, Rails End Gallery, welfare fund for emergencies (ie: fire victims - money is made available for families immediately following tragedy), trophies for high points at the Haliburton fair, West Guilford wheelchair access, Stanhope log chute restoration, Essonville Historic Church, Haliburton Outdoor Association, Wilberforce Boy Scouts, the Monmouth Christmas party, the Lung



Association, Santa Parades throughout the county, the Dog Sled races, high school volleyball, Minor Hockey, the American Disaster September 11 fund, Search & Rescue, Chace Place, Long Term

Care in Haliburton (a garden bench was constructed), volunteer manning of gates at events including the Highland Games, Lions Camp Dorset, and a pledge of \$50,000 to our local hospital fund of which \$38,000 has been contributed!

Now that is an impressive list, and we are sure a couple things have been missed. If you found that list long, you now have an understanding of just how much this active club does, many times behind the scenes.

More noticeable are the many wonderful events the club holds as fundraisers. The following is just a couple of the many that you can look forward to this year, thanks to the Lions Club:

BOAT RACES: - This is an exciting event held in July. "We made all the mini boats that are used in the race," says Ken. The mini boats all have numbers on them. There are 600 of them in total and spectators are encouraged to buy a ticket that will have the number of one of the boats.

BIG BAND DANCE: Held in July/August. "We get a big band from Toronto to come up. It's a wonderful event," says club past president, Ken Noble.

Annual Fund Raisers

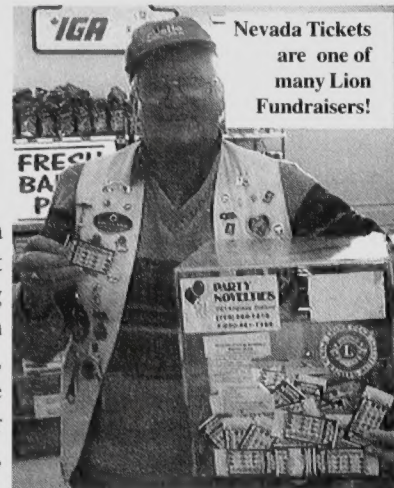
ANNUAL TOLL BRIDGE: In August the Lions hold a Toll Bridge in front of Emmersons. Drivers have the chance to lose some of that pocket change for a good cause.

CASE FOR A CURE for DIABETES

(Beer Bottle Return Fundraiser): Here's a great fundraiser idea that the club does. Start saving up, just before September, all those empty beer bottles. We will publish the date in our August issue that the club will be at the Beer Store. It's an easy fundraiser. Just donate your empties to the club!

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Weekend Get -A- Way ...See pg 14 ...**



Andy Campbell General Manager
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FINANCING FOR BUSINESSES

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Custom Ice Art

Mike's Work Has Been Purchased by Goldie Hawn, Walt Disney World & Labatts - Just to Mention a Few!

We have a talent of extraordinary means right in our own backyard that unfortunately many do not know of. 29 year old Mike Muli is one of a very few professional ice carvers in Canada - so talented that he was just recently invited to be part of the Canadian Olympic Team, but missed the call by ½ a day.

"I'm on standby now," says the disappointed Mike. "I would have gone but I missed the call because I was working in the city and the team needed an answer right away."

This is actually the first year that Ice Carving is an Olympic sport. "Oh well," says Mike, "There will be other years."

In the meantime, this talented man is kept extremely busy with his ice carving business stationed just north of Minden on Hwy 35 right beside his parent's Subaru business. Mike was born and raised in Minden and currently resides in the area. He attended school locally until he graduated and went off to school in Niagara Falls to become a chef. It was here that a teacher asked him if he wanted to try ice sculpturing and Mike thought, "why not". It was a decision that would change his life. Instead of chef courses he took 6 masters courses in ice carving. He never became a chef but rather part of an elite group.



Items can be frozen into the ice sculptures such as these flowers in the punch bowl

While he is among the few who do this sort of work; he is also among the few who do it well. Consequently, Mike has met some notoriety and the opportunity to work with and for some elite people. During his career, Mike has been asked to create carvings for Goldie Hawn (he delivered them to her cottage in the Muskoka where he met her); he produced a carving that appeared in a Tom Hanks film; and he even produced a carving for Disney World in Florida. "It was a Mickey and Mini Mouse carving. I shipped it in dry ice to Florida," says Mike. And that is just the 'tip of the iceberg' (pun intended), of the numerous carvings he's produced in his 12 year career.

More recently, Mike's work can be seen on a Labatts

Mike's Shop is located in Minden.



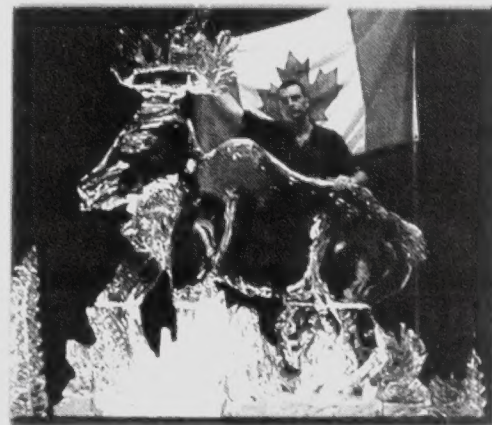
commercial during hockey games. He did the ice sculpture on the commercial featuring the Tragically Hip where there is an ice

podium and the entire commercial is filmed with ice in front of the action. While the carving itself was "straight forward", says Mike, "it did require a lot of ice."

He continues, "I was on set for the entire shooting. I had to be there to make constant changes to the ice while they shot the commercial. It was a great experience. I really enjoyed it."

Mike was also featured on a Woman's Television Network feature called "Marrying Well" that aired last summer. His segment focused on Ice

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Mike with one of his larger sculptures during one of the many shows. Pictured above is a popular swan carving.

Campbell's Garden Centre & Flower Shop

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New Business Could Mean New Jobs For Locals

What started out as a retirement hobby has quickly turned to a full scale, fast growing industry for Richard Graesser of Percy Lake north of Haliburton. Evidence of the growth is obvious in Minden with the construction and now operation of Limberlost, located on Hwy. 35 in Minden.

Richard is excited about his new venture in this town and wanted to make sure the building suited it's surrounding. "We didn't want it to look like a factory - we wanted it to look like a cottage," he said.

While Richard is not the owner but tenant of the building, he worked very closely with the owner as he plans to be at that location for a long time. "I worked closely with the owner of the property - I designed the building to match our criteria and we both wanted it to look esthetically nice," Richard explains.

Just what is going inside the building you wonder? Well, Richard owns and will be operating a full-blown factory and showroom from the large 4,800 sq. ft. building making all western cedar furniture. He required the larger space

because his business has been growing rapidly to a point where he is shipping his products to places such as King City, Stouville, Niagara on the Lake, Toronto, Gravenhurst, Port Carling, Huntsville, and even New York, U.S.A.

It all began in March of 1998. "I retired at 55 after receiving a great retirement package from a company I worked for in Toronto for many years," explains Richard. "I didn't know what to do after I retired, and woodworking was always a hobby of mine, so I just started doing it for fun," he says. "I needed something to keep busy."

He said from the time he started that first spring, he's never looked back. At first he operated out of his basement, selling only to small businesses in the area. "I was selling to about 5 - 6 businesses - wholesale," he says. By the second year, he



Richard Graesser



Pictured are just a couple of the many Western Cedar products that will be manufactured by Limberlost in Minden



started selling more out of the area to larger businesses in the Karwarthas and Muskokas. "We started selling to the bigger stores and started getting bigger contracts," exclaims Richard. It wasn't long before he needed more space and built a small factory/showroom in Fort Irwin. His products continued to sell and once again, he ran out of room. "This new building is fantastic. In addition, we have room to grow here. There is room to add on if we get bigger," says Richard.

What makes his furniture so popular? Well, the quality for one. "Everything we make is high end. Everything is glued and screwed together to last. We smooth sand much more than some - we actually put a lot of labour into sanding and the finishing process. There are four layers of finish with hand sanding in-between every coat."

All the products are made with western cedar, which stands the test of time. "Pine tends to rot. Western Cedar doesn't," explains Richard.

With growth, Richard is now looking at cross Canada sales. He has already hired selling agents who will be active in seeking new contracts abroad. Staff compliment will soon

Limberlost is located in this building on Hwy 35 in Minden.



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SnowShuffle An Event For Everyone

West Guilford - February 23

Whether you own a snowmobile or not, you can still have tons of fun at the annual West Guilford Snow Shuffle planned for February 23rd.

The event is primarily a snowmobile event, but if you can't participate in the actual snowmobile run, there is a dinner and dance with a DJ that follows.

Registration for the run takes place at the West Guilford Community Centre at 9 a.m. Participants travel the trails arriving back at the Community Centre around 6 p.m. for a delicious roast beef dinner. Following dinner there is a short game of Bingo while organizers prepare for the dance portion of the day's events. There will be prizes awarded at the Bingo.

There is also a big cash prize up for grabs for those who participated in the snowmobile run. Each participant will draw cards and the best hand wins.

The cost to participate in the entire day's events is \$20. If you wish just dinner and dance the cost is \$15 and just the dance is \$5.

Proceeds from the event go towards the Community Centre. Last years event drew quite a large turnout and organizers are hoping for the same this year.

Richard Will Spend Next Few Weeks Settling In Before Opening To The Public

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follow. "We'll see where sales drive us and then hire accordingly," says Richard. In the beginning, he will start with a skeleton crew of 3 workers plus himself. "We will be hiring once things start to roll," he adds.

Richard is pleased with the success of Limberlost. He chuckles, "I never expected anything out of it. It just keeps surprising me." He is now in the process of setting up his business in the new building and will be spending the next 2 - 3 weeks preparing the inside. During this time, Limberlost will not be open to the public. "Probably by the end of February or early March for the public," says Richard. There will be an official opening on May 25th, the weekend after the long weekend.

The new building was constructed by local contractors, Miscio Construction, excavation by Tom Prentice & Sons, and the electrical, plumbing and heating by Stoughton Electric. A security system was installed by McKee Security.

As for retirement, well, Richard says he still considers himself retired, even though he is busy with his growing venture. As he puts it, "You're retired if you enjoy doing what you do. And I'm enjoying doing what I'm doing."

Limberlost can be reached at 286-1150, and you can also visit Limberlost online at www.limberlost.on.ca.

WHO DUN-IT?



In this column we feature short crime solving tales to test your ability to interpret information, gather data, and solve the crime!! This months crime is one that should be easily solved by sports enthusiasts who really know their baseball. Enjoy!!

Johnny Badapple sat before Detective Ingoldsby in his small office at the local police station sneering out the window at the other children. Johnny had a reputation for picking on the local youth and was well known for his foul language around town.

Little Suzy's bike had been stolen from her garage yesterday afternoon and she was sure she saw Johnny in his baseball uniform pushing her bike down the street.

"It was 7:00," Suzy explained, when the detective asked her when she thought she saw Johnny taking her bike. "I was looking out our kitchen window. I was waiting for my friend Page. We were going to go to the Pizza Den to hang out," she said.

Johnny began to tell his side to the detective.

"I was playing baseball at the diamond at 7:00," he said. "We were playing against the visiting Bancroft team and it was at that time that we getting our 'last at bat' turn - I remember because it was the 9th inning, and we were winning 5-0 and I hit my second home run of the game," Johnny exclaimed.

"After the game was over, I walked home with my buddy Richard, you can even ask him," Johnny added with a cocky smile.

"I'm afraid there is a hole in your story Johnny," said Detective Ingoldsby. "Where's Suzy's bike?" he asked.

Why didn't the detective believe Johnny's story?

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Dumb Criminals



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A man walked in to a Topeka, Kansas Kwik Shop, and asked for all the Money in the cash drawer. Apparently, the take was too small, so he tied up the store clerk and worked the counter himself for three hours until police showed up and grabbed him.

I Can't Afford My Own Car...

An Illinois man pretending to have a gun, kidnapped a motorist and forced him to drive to two different automated teller machines. The kidnapper then proceeded to withdraw money from his own bank accounts...

Just Trying To Help Out...

Police in Oakland, California spent two hours attempting to subdue a gunman who had barricaded himself inside his home. After firing ten tear gas canisters, officers discovered that the man was standing beside them, shouting please to come out and give himself up...

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Winter Fun Day ! Everyone Welcome To Come Play In The Snow

Winter can be fun if you get out there and make the best of the cooler weather and all that white stuff that comes with it, and at Camp Wanakita there is a ton of winter fun planned for Sunday, February 24th for the entire family.

Everyone is welcome to come and join in one or all of the many activities planned, including cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, skating, tobogganing and much more. All equipment excluding skates are provided by the camp or you may bring your own.

The cost to participate is nothing. That's right - it's free. There is a small fee if you choose to eat any meals. The Camp will be providing Hot Dogs & Chili for a mere \$4 per adult and \$2 for children under 16.

The fun gets underway at 1 p.m. and goes until roughly 6 p.m.

This event has taken place for a number of years and is a way for people to enjoy the season with their families. "We do it so that the community can all come out and enjoy a day of winter fun and see what Camp Wanakita has to offer," says Ginny Heming, who organizes the day's events.

Camp Wanakita is located on Koshlong Lake. Take County Road 1 to Donald, turn left at Donald and drive to the end of Koshlong Lake Rd. For further information, you may call 457-2132.

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New Owner Shel Whitteker serves Jenn Andrus (holding child, Bridie.)

There's a new face at Undercover Books and that new face is also the new owner. Shel Whitteker took over the business in mid December, a few months after the sudden death of the previous owner Mark Ried, who himself was a new owner of the business.

Shel may look familiar to many that have ever eaten at either Pinestone or more recently McKecks in Haliburton. "I worked there as the bartender previously," says Shel. He has also tended bar at the Wilberforce Legion.

He said he purchased the bookstore simply because of his "love for books."

"I do a lot of reading," he said. "I love books so I figured this business would be perfect for me."

Since taking over the business, Shel says he has ordered in and will continue to carry "a good selection of new paperbacks, new releases and magazines." "I want to keep these well stocked," he explained. "Before you had to order these in."

What's the hottest books right now? Shel says Lord of the Rings and Harry Potter books are definitely the "hot sellers".

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In Baltimore USA it is illegal to wash or scrub a sink regardless of how dirty it is.

In Hartford, Connecticut, it is illegal for a husband to kiss his wife on Sundays.

In Helsinki, Finland, instead of giving parking tickets, the police usually deflate tires.

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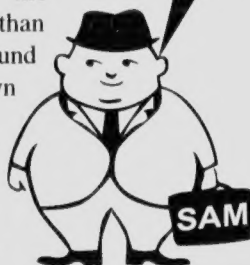
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Entries will be put into a draw box. The first correct answer pulled from entries received wins \$50! It's that easy and it's fun too!

Each draw is held the 15th of the month. So, get your entries in as soon as possible to be eligible. Remember, the Sam you see here in the story does not count as one. Just the Sam's located in the ads.

Start scouting for Sam the Advertising Man right away. And good luck to all!

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December's Spot Sam Winner



Julie Johnston is \$50 richer! Julie is our first "Spot Sam" contest winner. Julie was among many whom correctly spotted nine Sam's in the December issue of the Highlands Communicator. Julie said she played right away after receiving the Communicator in the mail. "At first I found four. Then I started highlighting them and soon found all nine," she said.

Julie lives at Haliburton Lake just north of Haliburton. She said when she got the call that she was our first winner she was very excited. "It was fun. I like to enter contests," she said. What is Julie going to do with her winnings? "I might take my family out to dinner with the winnings," she exclaimed.

Spot Sam The Advertising Man Last Month's Correct Answers:

There were Nine Sam's in total!
They were hidden in the following ads:

Perfect Prints,
Master's Book Store,
Haliburton Tim-Br Mart,
Highland Leisure,
Emmerson Lumber,
The Pump Shop,
Outdoors Plus,
Barry Miscio Contracting,
and Al's Cottage Watch & Maintenance.

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Mike At Work!



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Carvings for weddings, which is something he does a lot of.

His work has also been featured at the Royal Art Museum.

Aside from all the celebrities and big business people that have recognized his skills, his work is available for anyone to enjoy. Just what

can he carve in ice you may ask? Well, you name it – he can carve it. From a punch bowl, swans, and names in ice to large scale ice castles, full size horses and fully functional ice bars to keep refreshments cold ... the list is truly endless. He's done corporate logos, actual castles that children can play on, right down to small caviar dishes made of ice.

"I can do anything," says Mike. "Nothing is too big or too small. If you have a concept I can carve it in ice."

During the freezing process you can even have an endless array of different objects placed in the ice such as flowers, flags, pictures, engagement rings, and even lights. His sculptures can even be colourized with a special environmentally friendly paint. He can chisel names or logos into the ice. "Whatever the customer wants," he says. "Just let your imagination go."

Do they cost a lot? Well some do, but the average, for example a punch bowl or smaller items, are approximately \$150. "The cost depends on the clients specific needs," explains Mike. "I strive for competitive pricing on all my sculptures."

"The average sculpture is made from a 40" x 20" x 10" clear block weighing 300 pounds prior to sculpting," he says. Sculptures can be smaller (shot glasses) or significantly larger (like a fully functional ice bar) by staking and welding multiple blocks together. To sculpt, Mike uses a variety of tools - everything from chisels to chainsaws and torches to carve, chop and sculpt the ice.

Mike has been commissioned to make ice sculptures from a variety of people for numerous occasions such as: private parties, weddings, birthdays, stags, showers, corporate events, holidays, grand openings, commercial advertising, public demonstrations, movie sets and shoots, the hotel industry, clubs, resorts, caterers, banquets, theatres, product rollouts, restaurants, casinos, film premiers, and the general public.

Carvings can last quite a long time depending on the size. "A standard 200 pound ice sculpture will last 8 – 12 hours," says Mike. "The average events last only 2 – 4 hours allowing you the option of multiple uses for your sculpture."

Mike Planning "HUGE" Sculpture for Canadian Competition in Ottawa

Important is the fact that the ice is crystal clear, not foggy like our ice in the freezer. This is done by freezing the ice over a long period. "Pumps circulate the water constantly and remove any impurities giving it a crystal clear appearance and adding additional strength," explains Mike.

If you haven't seen in person one of Mike's ice sculptures, you must! They are all works of art that are truly mesmerizing and pleasing.

A lot of his work has Mike travelling quite a bit, but he would really like to do more in his own hometown. "A lot of it is affordable. I just don't think people know that. I suggest that people tell me what they want, and I will tell them if it is feasible and how much it will cost. You may be surprised."

How does he do what he does? He says, "I can see the block of ice, but what I really see is the sculpture in the block of ice.

You just have to take away what has to be taken away or add what has to be added."

If you would like to get away for an exciting day or weekend and see Mike in action at the same time, you must attend what is described as the "biggest Canadian ice sculpture competition of all" – Winterlude in Ottawa on Feb. 1 – 3. "This is a yearly event and it is huge," exclaims Mike.

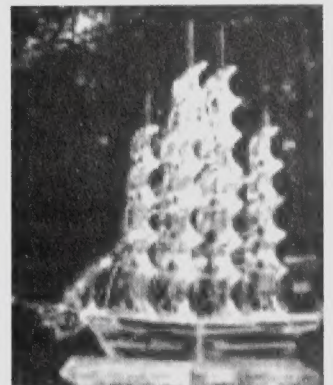
Competitors are by invitation only and those fortunate enough to be invited are the world's best. Mike is invited and has been for the past 6 years. The weekend features live demonstrations and Mike feels confident about his upcoming performance. "I'm doing a horse and Indian this year. I think I'll do well." His sculpture is estimated to take 550 blocks of ice. The organizers who have at least 20,000 to 30,000 blocks on hand provide all the ice for all the competitors.

In an average year, Mike goes through thousands of blocks (remember they are 300-pound blocks), and his upcoming venture in Ottawa while exciting, promises to be quite tiring. "You try moving 550 three hundred pound blocks – you'd be tired. But it is worth it," says Mike, adding, "I love what I do. It's unique and it's very gratifying work. I get to travel all over the place and meet many people. I want to do it forever. It makes me happy!"

You can reach Mike (or his answering machine- but do leave a message – he checks them frequently) by calling 286-6264.

Win An Ice Sculpture Of Your Choice!

See page 22 for details!



Fine detail is not a problem for Mike to carve!

Why DID the Chicken Cross The Road?

According To The Experts ...

KINDERGARDEN TEACHER: To get to the other side.

PLATO: For the greater good.

ARISTOTLE: It is the nature of chickens to cross roads.

KARL MARX: It was a historical inevitability.

SADDAM HUSSEIN: This was an unprovoked act of rebellion and we were quite justified in dropping 50 tons of nerve gas on it.

JACK NICHOLSON: 'cause it f.....g

wanted to. That's the f.....g reason.

RONALD REAGAN: I forget.

CAPTAIN JAMES T. KIRK: To boldly go where no chicken has gone before.

ARTHUR ANDERSEN

CONSULTANT: Deregulation of the chicken's side of the road was threatening its dominant market position. The chicken was faced with significant challenges to create and develop the competencies required for the newly competitive market.

Andersen Consulting, in a partnering relationship with the client, helped the chicken by rethinking its physical distribution strategy and implementation processes. Using the Poultry Integration Model (PIM), Andersen helped the chicken use its skills, methodologies, knowledge, capital and experiences to align the chicken's people, processes and technology in support of its overall strategy within a

Captain James

T. Kirk

*"To boldly go
where no
chicken has gone
before"*

THAT'S LIFE ...

by the Bashful Comic



Program Management framework.

Andersen Consulting convened a diverse cross-spectrum of road analysts and best chickens along with Andersen consultants with deep skills in the transportation industry to engage in a two-day itinerary of meetings in order to leverage their personal knowledge

capital, both tacit and explicit, and to enable them to synergize with an enterprise-wide value framework across the continuum of poultry cross-median processes.

The meeting was held in a park-like setting, enabling and creating an impactful environment which was strategically based, industry-focused, and built upon a consistent, clear, and unified market message and aligned

with the chicken's mission, vision, and core values. This was conducive towards the creation of a total business integration solution.

Andersen Consulting helped the chicken change to become more successful.

LOUIS FARRAKHAN: The road, you see, represents the black man. The chicken 'crossed' the black man in order to trample him and keep him down.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.: I envision a world where all chickens will be free to cross roads without having their motives called into question.

MOSES: And God came down from the Heavens, and He said unto the chicken, "Thou shalt cross the road." And the chicken crossed the road, and there was much rejoicing.

RICHARD M. NIXON: The chicken did not cross the road. I repeat, the chicken did NOT cross the road.

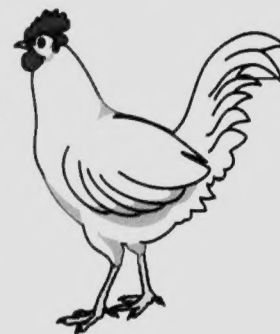
JERRY SEINFELD: Why does anyone cross a road? I mean, why doesn't anyone ever think to ask, What the heck was this chicken doing walking around all over the place, anyway?

FREUD: The fact that you are at all concerned that the chicken crossed the road reveals your underlying sexual insecurity.

BILL GATES: I have just released the new Chicken Office 2000, which will not only cross roads, but will lay eggs, file your important documents, and balance your checkbook.

and last but not least...

COLONEL SANDERS: I missed one?





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HALIBURTON



Don't Miss This Mouth Watering Invitation Feb. 1st

Lasagna anyone? Or how about that delicious Italian dish – the round pasta with the melted cheese and sauce stuffed inside? If your mouth is starting to water then you best head to the Legion in Haliburton on Feb. 1 between 5 and 8 p.m. for the Legion's Italian Dinner. In addition to these two mouth watering dishes, there will also be salad, and cheese cake for dessert! Tickets are available at the door, & don't forget, there is a dance at the legion on Saturday, Feb. 2nd featuring the music of Forgotten Memories. Their style of music will take you back to your childhood (or your parent's childhood).



\$4 Breakfasts Served Every 2nd Sunday At the Legion!

There is nothing like a good hearty breakfast and every second Sunday, everyone is invited to the Legion in Haliburton to enjoy – well – a good hearty breakfast!

For a mere \$4.00 you can enjoy a homestyle cooked meal and the company and fellowship of your friends and neighbours. Breakfast (or brunch) is served from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. It is a great opportunity to join your friends after church and saves cooking your own meal! Or, why not bring all that company that showed up for the evening – why mess up your own kitchen? Or just come by yourself – you are bound to bump into an old friend or even make a new one!

Become A Member!

Did you know that:

In 1998 (the last year that figures are available for) the Legion organization spent \$2.13 million on support for seniors and volunteered 515,000 hours?

Spent \$5.6 million on support for youth and volunteered 391,000 hours?

Donated \$14.1 million dollars to local charities and volunteered 674,000 hours?

Why not become a part of this great organization and help to support our veterans, seniors and youth. Apply at Branch 129 in Haliburton for your membership. You will not be sorry you did!

Not Too Late To Get In On The Cash Winning Action. Get Your Cash Calendar Today!!!

The Haliburton Legion "Cash Calendar Draw is in full swing. There will be a prize awarded every day in 2002. Although you may have missed a few days, there are still lots of days left in the year, so purchase your calendar soon and get in on the prizes. The calendars are available at the Legion. The daily prize is \$25.00 and every Friday the prize is \$100.00. There are two bonus prizes of \$500.00 and the grand prize, drawn on New Years eve will be for \$1,000.

Proceeds go to local charities and volunteer organizations, so you will not only be in line for a prize, but will also be contributing to a better community in which to live.

The winner of the very first \$100 Friday draw was Sidney Sherman of Willowdale. Don't forget – there is a winner everyday! The sooner you buy your handy cash calendar – the more chances you have to win – again & again & again...



Branch manager, Jim Tice makes one of many to come draws for cash! Get your Calendars today for a chance at the pot!

Congratulations to our Students!!!

We know it's been, well, three months since Remembrance Day, but it's making the news again. We have a number of students in the area whose work has reached the next level of the Legion's Literary and Poster contest.

Students entered first the local competition held around Remembrance Day. All first place winners were submitted to a more challenging Zone Level competition. We are fortunate to have 7 first place winners and one 3rd place winner from our area. All the below mentioned students who placed first will now move on to compete at the District Level. Winning at these levels is quite a honour, so congratulations goes out to all these students, and we wish those advancing to the District Level good luck. The winners are:

Essay Category: Jennifer Moynes (1st place Senior category), Max Creelman (1st place Intermediate category).

Poetry Category: Jennifer Carpenter (1st - Senior), Lindsey Snelgrove (3rd - Junior)

Coloured Posters: Anna Schiefenbaum (1st - Intermediate), Lindsey Snelgrove (1st - Junior)

Black & White Posters: Bethany Snelgrove (1st - Junior)

What's **HOT** on the Shelf?



The Crazy Circle.

Drive your cat crazy with this new item just in at Palmac Pet Store in Minden. This is a toy for cats to keep them occupied trying to get at the ball - that of course, never leaves the circle.

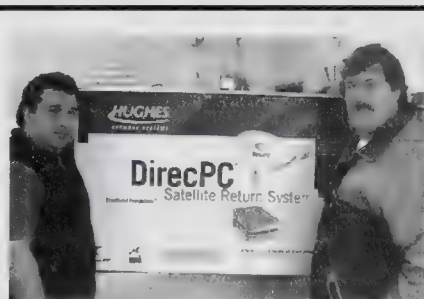
This comes in 2 sizes and

they sell for \$9.99 & \$13.99. Pictured with the larger ring is store manager, Lyn Davis. Similar cat toys are located in local pet stores throughout Minden and Haliburton.

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While not new on the market, this is a neat invention that is a must for ice fishermen. This lightweight, totally portable fish hut comes complete with carpeted floor, zippered window, molded in drink holders, 3 fish hole options, large fish holes with covers, ice proof zippers, and spots to put stakes to hold hut in place, plus many more features! This hut folds down easy and can be pulled along the ice with all your supplies. It's also easy to move from lake to lake - so your fishing choices are greater. This hut is available at Minden Bait & Tackle and sell for around \$350. A similar model also sells at Outdoors Plus in Haliburton.

Viking Portable Fishing Hut



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Internationally renowned pianist, Marac-Andre Hamelin will be this month's guest performer at the Northern Lights Pavilion, the first of 3 superb Haliburton Highlands Series Concerts for 2002.

The concert takes place on February 11th. To purchase tickets call 457-9731.

The Haliburton Highlands Concert Series is a non-profit volunteer organization endeavoring to attract internationally renowned music/drama performers to the Highlands at a reasonable cost.



The group has what they describe as a "sensational lineup" for this year. In addition to Marac-Andre Hamelin, May brings Toronto-based Quartetto Gelato, whose members perform on multiple instruments, including oboe, English horn, violin, cello, accordion, guitar, mandolin and a show stopping tenor voice, which are featured in various combinations.

Lastly, but not least, on September 27, the Haliburton Highland Concerts is proud to present Best of Broadway, featuring Toronto Operetta Theatre Canadian stars from the great stages of New York City ... Elizabeth DeGrazia, Fred Love and Guillermo Silva-Sarin with Melody McShane at the piano. They will be performing great classics such as The Desert Song, King and I, Showboat, Man of La Mancha, Music Man, Merry Wido and My Fair Lady ... a mix of melody to enchant and entertain as only Broadway knows how.

Only 212 Seats Available!

In all the entire series promises to be both entertaining and by far, well worth the money. The entire series can be viewed for a mere \$45.00. "That is very reasonable for the entertainment we have lined up," says organizer Jeanne Anthon of Minden.

Whether you love classical or not, you will enjoy these performances. Jeanne explains that "we don't go to the extreme in classical," but rather, "they are shows that everyone can enjoy."

The Haliburton Highlands Concert Series group formed 22 years ago in order to bring a mixture of performances to the area, from music to plays and ballet. Prior to the construction of the beautiful Northern Lights Pavilion in Haliburton, the group organized performances in locations such as the Haliburton Legion, the highschool and even some public schools. "We are grateful that we now have a new building and a new grand piano," exclaims Jeanne.

There are approximately 212 seats available. Ticket sales have just recently commenced, but it is suggested that you get yours soon.



Your Guide To Some Handy Tips for Everyday Use!

You always have a measuring tape in your pocket - a dollar bill is exactly 6" long and just short of 3" wide (2 3/4").

When a pill sticks in your throat, eat a banana. The soft bulk of the fruit moves the medication along.

Small holes in window screen can be repaired by dabbing the hole with successive layers of clear nail polish.

Snow will slide off a shovel which has been sprayed with furniture polish, vegetable oil or pam cooking spray.

Use your fertilizer spreader to scatter sand on icy walkways.

Dried orange and grapefruit peels and rinds make good fuel in a fireplace and give off a nice aroma as they burn.

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Lions Club Open To Women & Men Members

...from pg. 2



BECOME A MEMBER!

Speaking of members, this wonderful organization is always seeking new members. If you would like to be a part of this Club, it's very easy. Membership is open to men and women of legal age of majority and good reputation in the community. "I suggest that anyone interested attend a couple meetings. There is no pressure. Just come on out and see if you would like to be part of it. You'll get a good idea of what goes on by attending a meeting or two," says Ken. If you are interested in joining after that, you apply and the club votes. Last year the club had 5 new members join. "It's growing," says Ken. "What we are all about is taking part in the community."

Plan to attend a meeting and get involved. The meetings are held at the Masonic Hall in the basement in Haliburton every 2nd and 4th Thurs. of every month. Or you can call Club President, Dave Mill at 754-2999, or Ken Noble at 448-1604.

Win A Get-A-Way Weekend!!



Lion, Ken Noble sells Ross Melville of Harcourt a ticket for a chance at a weekend in Niagara!

THE GET-A-WAY WEEKEND: Ah yes... the get-a-way weekend we mentioned at the beginning. This is a wonderful opportunity to win a fantastic weekend away April 12 & 13. You not only get your accommodations paid for at the Hotel Sheridan on the Falls in Niagara (a falls view fireplace room), but breakfast for two both mornings and dinner for two one evening, and \$150 spending money. All for \$5.00. And if you don't win, you've still won by donating to this wonderful organization. Tickets are now on sale and are available through any Lions Club member. Members will on occasion be out and about so watch for them in your community or go to the Haliburton IGA where tickets are available. The draw will be held Thursday March 28, so get your tickets soon!



Slow Down Man!

Bruce Lee was so fast that they actually had to slow a film down so you could see his moves. That's the opposite of the norm.

It's All In Your Genes!

Actor Tom Hanks is related to Abraham Lincoln.

Close Relations!

Actor Andy Garcia was a Siamese twin.

In Honour Of Elvis ...

Elvis Presley had a twin brother named Garon, who died at birth, which is why Elvis' middle name was spelled Aron; in honor of his brother.

Also, Elvis failed his music class in school.

See Ya Yesterday!

If you leave Tokyo by plane at 7:00am, you will arrive in Honolulu at approximately 4:30pm the previous day.

Can I See Some I.D.?

A baby in Florida was named Truewilllaughinglifebuckyboomermanifestdestiny. His middle name is George James.

Spare Some Change?

There are 293 ways to make change for a dollar.

At Least It Wasn't Upsidedown...

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Anyone Prove This Wrong... Please Write Us With The Answer!

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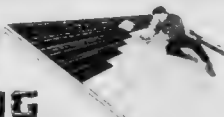
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Barry Miscio Contracting

He started building as a young lad – and yes at that time, it was just with toy building blocks, but he enjoyed it then and now at 32 Barry Miscio still “loves to build”.

Born and raised in Haliburton, Barry Miscio worked in the building trade even while attending school locally. After graduating, building became full time as he gained more experience until finally three years ago when he formed his own company Barry Miscio Contracting.

Barry started with himself and two guys and is now running a crew of 4. “I like to work and I like to work hard,” says Barry who takes great pride in his work. “The quality of work has to be good, reliability has to be good and public relations has to be good,” he states.



“I love to work for the people. I try to give them a bit extra. I want it nice.” He adds, “You are only as good as your last job and if it's not good... well...”

Barry offers a complete contracting business from concrete to shingles and everything in between, - if it needs building, Barry and his men can handle the job. “We can build a home right from scratch or we can do additions, renovations – you name it,” he says.

The boys work right through year round, and are kept pretty busy, but when spare time does pop up, Barry loves to play on his snowmobile. “That's when I have spare time,” he chuckles adding, “the day I went into business for myself I found I have far less ‘spare time’, but that's okay. I love to work – that's all I do!”

Barry lives just north of West Guilford with his wife Paula and two children, Jordon (4) and Cody (15 months). You can reach Barry by calling 754-4603.

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Business Owners Join Forces & Resources

"None of us could justify a building on our own, but together we could!"

Three local area businessmen all required more space, and by putting their heads and skills together, now run their businesses out of a newly constructed, much more spacious and collectively affordable industrial building in Haliburton. These three business owners are Steve Churko - owner of Churko Electric, Barry Boice - owner of Blair Sand & Gravel and Rick Ruttig - owner of Haliburton Artesian Wells.

The three men, after discussing the idea of merging their skills and funds together to construct one large building, purchased property in the phase 2 section of Industrial Park in Haliburton. The property located past the dump on Industrial Park Road, now houses an 8,000 square foot building the three share. Of the 8,000 square feet, 5,500 sq. feet is truck bay space and 2,500 sq. feet is office space.

"We all needed room and office space," says Steve. "It just worked out better by doing it together."

Rick adds, "none of us could really justify a building on our own, but with all three of us together we could."

In addition to sharing the costs, the three all had individual and much needed skills to aid in the construction. Barry started with excavation in the early spring of 2001 and Steve and Rick joined in with building, electrical and water expertise. The only outside work required was the actual steel beam work. "The rest we pretty much did ourselves," says Barry. The building was completed in December of 2001 and in January, the boys and their staff moved in.

The construction could also possibly result in more in the phase 2 section of industrial park, which until their new building has been somewhat barren. "Who knows, in the next few years we'll probably see some neighbours," says Barry.

CHURKO ELECTRIC

Steve first formed Churko Electric 7 years ago. He currently has a staff of 7 and offers 20 years experience in the field. Born originally in Saskatchewan, Steve moved to the area 18 years ago. "Friends of the family lived here, that is how we found Haliburton," he says adding, "I love it up here - I'd never leave this area - this is home!"



He gained his electrical knowledge through working in the electrical field in Toronto for approximately 10 years. Steve is fully licensed and insured to perform electrical services industrially, commercially and residentially. He also offers poleline services.

BLAIR SAND & GRAVEL

This business has been established for over 50 years in Haliburton. Barry purchased the business in 1993 from founder Lee Blair who is still "active in the business," says Barry.

Blair Sand and Gravel offers excavating, site preps, road building, and septic services. They currently have a staff of 10 full time employees and quite a collection of machinery to do the job - big or small.

Barry was born and raised in Haliburton, and bought his first backhoe in 1998 at the age of 22. He said he became interested in this line of work because, "there looked to be a lot of that type of work here in this area." In addition, Barry's father was a trucker, so he was used to large equipment operation.



l - r: Rick Ruttig, Steve Churko & Barry Boice

HALIBURTON ARTESIAN WELLS

Rick formed his business 12 years ago after moving here from British Columbia. The economy was not much to speak of in B.C. and that drove Rick to move to Ontario. After working throughout Ontario and the States for a couple years, he soon found Haliburton and made this community his permanent home.

"I just stumbled upon Haliburton and felt it was a great place to raise a family," he says.

A resident now for 15 years, it wasn't long before he formed his company that offers domestic water well drilling service. You can visit all three businesses at their new location or call them directly. The following is the list of their individual office hours and telephone numbers:

Churko Electric: open Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Call 457-4576; Blair Sand & Gravel: open Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Call 457-1349; Haliburton Artesian Wells: open 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Call (and leave message) at 457-2686.

HEALTH

Haliburton County Home Support Services Needs Volunteers

Are you outgoing and enthusiastic? Do you enjoy talking to people? Are you sensitive to the needs of seniors? Haliburton County Home Support Services needs you!

H.C.H.S.S. is looking for volunteers to assist with manning their information booth at the various community events to be held this year.

Volunteers will be asked to donate a few hours of their time by handing out information and answering questions about the agency. Full training will be provided.

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Healthy Tidbits

To remove pesticides from fruit and vegetables, wash them with a mixture of 2 or 3 tablespoons of white vinegar per quart of water.

For an inexpensive antacid powder, use 1/2 a teaspoon of baking soda and a glass of water and drink quickly.

To get relief from a sore throat, gargle with 1 teaspoon of salt and 3/4 cup of warm water.

Putting a dab of honey on the back of your tongue can bring relief from a nagging cough.

Soothe a minor kitchen burn by rubbing it gently with the cut surface of a raw potato.

Is a tomato a fruit or a vegetable?

A Tomato is a fruit, and if you want to be specific, you can rightfully call it a berry. It grows on a plant that is part of the nightshade family, so it's cousins are egg-plants and tobacco. When tomatoes were first introduced in Europe, people wouldn't eat them, because they thought they were poisonous.

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Helpful Natural Hints To Help Those Colds Before, During & After They Hit

It's wintertime!! People are sick with a sore throat, or maybe a cold and cough, or maybe the whole nine yards.

Colds have very short incubation periods, usually within a few days of being exposed. A healthy immune system is very important to help resist coming down with whatever you were exposed to.

What can you do to keep from getting sick?

First, prevention is very important. Start by eating a well balanced diet, get plenty of fresh air, exercise and sleep at night. Many let themselves get run down, this is when the cold will come to make life miserable. If you know you have been exposed, now is the time to start taking Echinacea.

What to do when you start to feel sick?

If you have a sore throat, brew a tea with 1 tsp. of sage or thyme to 1-cup hot water. Steep 10 minutes, strain, then gargle 2 times per day. In addition, slippery elm lozenges will help soothe.

What if it is a cold?

At the onset, while in a hot bath, brew a pot of tea with 1 tsp. each of peppermint, yarrow, and elderflowers to 2 cups hot water. Steep 10 minutes covered. Strain and drink freely, making more as needed. This will raise body temperature causing the body to start sweating. Drink the tea and stay in the bath about 20 minutes. After this, dry off and put on some bedclothes. Go to bed and try to get some sleep. It is very important that you do not get a draft at this time. This treatment usually stops symptoms before they get worse.

What if all the miserable symptoms of a cold are present?

Keep the diet very simple; the body needs the energy to fight. Broth's, herbal teas, diluted fruit and vegetable juices are all good. You need to drink plenty of fluids to prevent dehydration and to thin out the secretions, making them easier to eliminate. A few drops of eucalyptus oil on a tissue and kept near, or a cup of peppermint tea will help keep nasal passages clear. Taking Echinacea and goldenseal will help shorten the duration of the cold.

Hopefully these few suggestions will help make winter more fun for all.

contributed by Mary Gryciuk

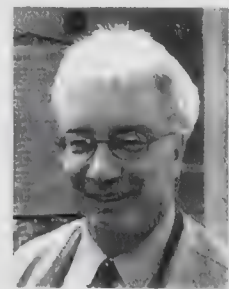
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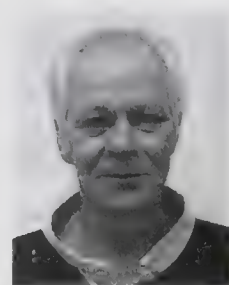
Brad Archer - Carnarvon
"More snow for
snowmobiling!"



Bob Nichol - Haliburton
"Going on a golfing holiday
to Myrtle Beach!"



Caley Sisson - West Guilford
"Graduating Highschool so I
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You don't have to be a fantastic champion skier to win a prize at the Sir Sam's Ski Challenge. All you have to do is participate and you could win up to \$1,000.

Here's how it works ... Sir Sam's hold seven races, one every Sunday and a final race on Saturday March 2nd. The first race was held on January 13th of this year. There is no fee to enter the races and cash prizes and medals are awarded

every weekend. \$100 is up for grabs just by participating. All participants names are placed in a draw and following that day's competition, a winning name is drawn.

What about the \$1,000 you ask? ... Every time you participate in a race, your name is registered. After the final race scheduled for March 3rd, one name will be drawn from all the names registered, and the winning name wins \$1,000. Your name is placed in the draw whether you placed in



Zeke Diezel of Minden is just one of approx. 80 participants in the 1st Sir Sam's Challenge held Jan. 13.

the race or not. In addition, the more races you participate in the more your name is entered. To make it fair, you must participate in at least three races and the final race to qualify.

"It's a fun thing we do," says J.D. Bishop of Sir Sam's Ski Hill. "It's a race for everyone of any age and ability. There are lots of prizes and it's just a fun day for skiers and snowboarders. Both can enter the race," J.D. adds.



Chris MacKenzie checks out the newest in

Snowboard gear demonstrated by Burton Tech Rep 'Stereo Mike' who was on hand at Sir Sams recently on behalf of Glen Sharply Sports in Haliburton!

"You don't have to be a professional skier to enjoy the challenge," says J.D. "It's all meant for fun." The categories are broken up by age (age 0 - 12, age 13 - 18 and ages 18+), and there is a women's and men's competition within each category.

So come on out for some friendly racing fun. Whether you compete with the others or just to better your own time, it's all for fun! And remember the winner of the \$1,000 cash prize could just as well be the person who never won a race!

Do you 'Dare to Ski' ? It's FREE February 23 with \$50+ in Pledges for a Good Local Cause!

Do you Dare to Ski? If so you must attend the 10th Annual Dare to Ski ski-a-thon & fun day - a fundraiser for the Haliburton County Association for Community Living, February 23 at Sir Sam's.

In addition to a fun filled day, this year's 1st prize for the most pledges is a weekend for 2 at Bonnieview!

Anyone obtaining \$50 or more in pledges will "ski for free". There is a BBQ lunch and tons of prizes for participants. There is also a silent auction scheduled from 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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Rock Climbing - Kayaking - White Water Canoe Expeditions & Camping Expeditions all Available for Youths!

What to try something really different and, well, as challenging as you want it to be? Why not try rock climbing? And you don't have to wait for the snow to melt to try it, just head on out to West Guilford to Camp Medeba every Tuesday evening starting at 6:30 and join in the fun with the Climax Climbing Club.

Want to go on an exciting expedition? ... If you're a youth in grade 10 or 11 read this story to see how!

Greg Shantz, a worker with Haliburton Family Services, oversees the program. He himself is an avid climber and climbing is a hobby he has been doing for over 20 years.

For the past 5 years, Greg has been conducting "adventure based programs" for youth in the county and part of the entire program includes rock climbing. Experience is something he brings with him. His scariest climb was a place in Red Rocks near Los Vegas where he climbed 1.2 km "straight up" he exclaimed, adding, "it was fantastic!"

His love for climbing is being shared by those who attend the climbing club regularly. 17 year old Steve Johnson states, "I enjoy it for the on-going challenge. You can pick out certain colours (of man made 'rocks' on the wall) and each colour combination makes for a different climb."

12 year old Austin Harris-Saxby is also a regular climber who states, "it really is a lot of fun. It's fun to watch yourself advance and it's fun to meet new people too."

All climbers admit that while there are some less challenging routes, there is one that nobody can do their first time out ... "nobody can get stairway to heaven the 1st time ... that route is hard," says Steve. "It's a challenge, but it's a fun challenge."

Everyone is welcome to come out and "give it a try". The cost is \$3 per person. Children under 13 must be accompanied by an adult and parental permission is required for youth under 18.

The climbing club operates until April. But that is not the end of the "adventure based programs" that are headed by Greg and offered to youth. "We have some very exciting programs coming up!"

Join The Kayak Club!

One of these is the Kayaking club, which starts right after rock climbing ends. Steve Johnson is an active participant in the kayaking club and assists Greg. The action takes place in Minden at the Gull River at Wild Water Ontario on Horseshoe Lake. The group has an arrangement with Wild Water that they will do some maintenance work and upkeep in exchange for use of the Kayaks and facility. "That is a fantastic

Austin scales the wall while (below) Greg, Steve & Scott spot.

arrangement," says Greg. "It's a great opportunity for the kids." This will be the first year for the Kayak club and all are excited.

Another exciting and upcoming program is the Gravity Program - which is an expedition program aimed at youths that maybe have never tried outdoor camping and adventures. "It's all about taking these kids for an



Greg Shantz, Steve Johnson & Scott Jarrett

exciting expedition," says Greg. The program is being offered to youths in grade 10 & 11.

It starts with a 9 week course to teach the basics needed to actually go on the adventure, and to learn about team work, pitching tents & all the things that make a good, safe outing. The

students will meet every Monday at the United Church in Haliburton from 4 - 6:30. Then sometime in May, "before the blackflies get really bad," says Greg, the group will head off for a weekend hike, climb and camping expedition.

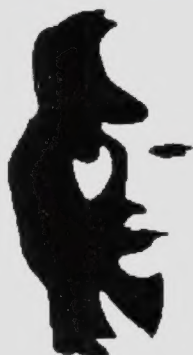
This program is free for anyone interested. "We have great support from Heart Connection Diabetes Project who help fund this. They feel it's a good idea to get young people doing healthy things and as a result, they will have fewer problems in the future. We really appreciate their support," says Greg.

Anyone interested in this must contact Greg at Family Services before or around February 18. You may contact Greg at 457-5345. You may also contact Greg if you are interested in the Kayak club or require further information on any of these programs.

White Water Canoe Trip

Lastly, if not and we are sure not least, Greg is planning an exciting 2-week long white water canoe trip on Noire River in Quebec. "It's a fantastic river," he exclaims. It too is open to high school students and although the trip is sometime in July, applications will soon be taken for this excursion.

Brain Teaser Of The Month!



Take a close look at this picture. Do you see the saxophone player?
Now take a closer look. Do you see anything else...?

answer: A woman's face ... look closely to the right of the sax player. Her eye is actually that dot that stands alone.

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Question 2 - What commercial does Mike's work currently appear on?

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Who Dun-it Solution

... from pg. 5

Johnny said they were playing Bancroft. This means that his team was the home team which would bat second and would not be batting the last inning if they were ahead in the ninth.

'Ya Babys' Ticket Winner

The Winner of the Communicator's
'Ya Baby's' New Year's Eve Tickets was:
Ellen Holden of Minden

WINTERFEST IN HALIBURTON

February 2nd & 3rd

It's here! Winterfest in Haliburton starts this Saturday & runs through to Sunday from 12 p.m. - 4 p.m. Participation buttons are \$2.00 each and can be purchased at Head Lake Park at the Caboose Headquarters.

HEAD LAKE PARK EVENTS: Rides, Games, Food, Skating, Hockey, etc...

Head Lake Park will also be the site for food concessions, product demonstrations, free draw, horse & dogsled rides, kids games, the ReMax Balloon (Saturday only - weather permitting), snowshoeing, ice fishing, ice sculptures, snow mountain, skating, hockey & broomball.

SNOWMOBILE EVENTS: Poker Run...

For snowmobilers, there is a Poker Run at Wigamog on Saturday at the Moose Bar & Grill. Registration is at 9 a.m. and the cost to participate is \$25 per hand. You can call 457-2000 to pre-register. The Moose Bar & Grill is located on North Kashagawigamog Road, just off Hwy 121 between Haliburton & Minden. The fun continues later in the evening with a D.J. and dance at the Moose Bar & Grill.

SKIING EVENTS: Cross-country & Downhill Skiing

For skiers, there is cross-country skiing at Glebe Park with free night skiing until 10 p.m. In addition, downhill skiing is always offered at beautiful Sir Sam's Ski Hill in Eagle Lake, just north of Haliburton.

LEGION WINTERFEST EVENTS:

Dance, Dinner, Ice Fishing Tourney, Darts ...

In conjunction with Winterfest, the Haliburton Legion is hosting a variety of fun-filled events throughout the weekend. "It's a open house at the Legion," says Lou. "Everyone is welcome to come by and join in the fun. You don't have to be a Legion member to participate." All are encouraged to pop in and enjoy a game of pool or darts or just a social visit anytime Saturday or Sunday. Scheduled events are also planned at the Legion.

ITALIAN DINNER:

The fun begins Friday, Feb. 1 with an Italian Dinner from 5 - 7 p.m. Saturday morning there is a Pancake Breakfast from 7 a.m. - 11 a.m.



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DARTS:

An open dart tournament is being held in-doors at the Haliburton Legion on Saturday, starting at 3 p.m.

DANCE:

A dance is scheduled for Saturday evening at the Haliburton Legion featuring the band "Forgotten Memories"

FREE DAY FOR KIDS!

Sunday is a special day thanks to the Haliburton Legion who are generously sponsoring Free Kids Day at Winterfest. Everything is FREE for children 12 and under on Sunday only. There will be free hot dogs, free hot chocolate, games, sleigh rides and more.

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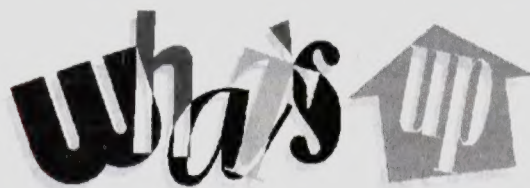
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We hope you enjoy issue #2. We've had a blast doing it and are already working on #3! Remember ... If it's good news - call us! (705) 448-1847

Snowmobiling Events!

FEBRUARY 2nd - HALIBURTON

Moose Bar & Grill Poker Run - February 2nd. Registration is 9:00 a.m. at the Moose Bar & Grill at the Wigamog Inn on North Kashagawigamog Rd, Haliburton. Cost to enter is \$25. per hand. Call 457-2000 for info.

FEBRUARY 9th - HALIBURTON

Poker Run & Raffle (S.L.E.D) is being held at Rotary Park in Haliburton Feb. 9. \$30 registration fee per rider. A brand new 2002 snowmobile is up for grabs as the grand prize! Proceeds from this event go towards the Canadian Diabetes Association. Call 1-800-226-8464 ex 601 for info.

FEBRUARY 9th - DORSET

Tall Pines Snowmobile Club & Lions Camp Dorset Poker Rally - February 9 in Dorset. \$30 registration fee includes poker hand, continental breakfast and full dinner with dance. 1st prize is \$2,000. Call 766-2108 or 766-9253 for info.

FEBRUARY 16th - KENNISIS LAKE

Haliburton Forest Poker Run - February 16. Proceeds to the Haliburton Health Services Foundation. The grand prize up for grabs is a 2002 snowmobile. This event takes place at Kennisis Lake. Call 754-2198 for info.

FEBRUARY 23rd - WEST GUILFORD

Annual Snowshuffle at the West Guilford Community Centre. See pg. 5 for story on full details. This is also a dinner and dance - fundraiser for Community Centre.

EVERY WEEKEND - HARCOURT

Elephant Lake Lodge in Harcourt will be holding radar races every weekend all winter. There is also an oval track race once a month. Races start February 16 and are held every Sat. & Sun. from noon - 4 p.m. Cash prizes awarded in a variety of classes. Call 448-2861 for details.

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Ice Racing (Cars) at the Minden Fair Ground every Saturday at 9 a.m. & Sunday at noon.

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BINGO:

Every Wednesday - 7 p.m. at the Haliburton Legion.

Every Monday 7 p.m. at the West Guilford Community Centre

DARTS:

Every Tuesday & Friday - 7:30 p.m. at the Minden Legion.

MEAT DRAW:

Every Wednesday at noon at the Minden Legion

February 1 & 8

Yuk Yuk's Comedy 9:30 p.m. at the Moose Bar & Grill - 457-2000.

February 2 & 9

Rock 95 Dance hosted by Tim Weston at the Moose Bar & Grill. \$6.00 per person. - 457-2000

February 11 / 21 - 24

Razzamatazz Kid's Shows at the Northern Lights Performing Arts Pailion.

February 14

Lasagna Dinner - 5:30 p.m. at the Minden Legion

February 16

3rd Annual Murray Scott Memorial Ice Fishing Derby at Camp Wanakita, Koshlong Lake. \$20 Entry Fee. 50/50 prize payout. Proceeds to Haliburton Highlands Outdoors Association. Contact Danny Johnson for info - 457-3539.

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